## STATE OF WASHINGTON OFFICE OF THE INSURANCE COMMISSIONER

In the Matter of

BOBBI'S BAIL BONDS INC.
and BOBBI JO VAN
ALSTYNE,

Order No.

14-0083

WAOIC No. and

NPN No.

CONSENT ORDER LEVYING A FINE

Respondents.

This Consent Order is entered into by the Insurance Commissioner of the State of Washington, acting pursuant to the authority set forth in RCW 48.02.080 and RCW 48.17.560, and BOBBI'S BAIL BONDS, INC. ("BOBBIS BAIL BONDS") and BOBBI JO VAN ALSTYNE (Respondents).

## BASIS:

1. BOBBI JO VAN ALSTYNE ("Ms. Van Alstyne") obtained her agent license in Washington in 2002, and this license was converted in July of 2009 to an insurance producer license. BOBBIS BAIL BONDS obtained its resident agent business entity license in Washington in 2005,

and this license was converted in July of 2009 to an insurance producer license.

- 2. Ms. Van Alstyne conducted business as BOBBIS BAIL BONDS. In one instance, in October of 2011 Ms. Van Alstyne issued a \$2,500 surety bond to the Renton Municipal Court. In November 2011, the court notified Ms. Van Alstyne of the bond forfeiture, but Ms. Van Alstyne did not pay the forfeiture. In February and March of 2012, the court contacted Ms. Van Alstyne and did not receive a reply. In May 2012, the court contacted Ms. Van Alstyne, the surety insurer, and the Washington State Department of Licensing ("DOL"), which separately licenses bail bond issuers. In July 2012, Ms. Van Alstyne indicated her intent to close her Bobbi's Bail Bonds business. The surety insurer paid the forfeiture.
- 3. On December 12, 2012, DOL entered an order finding Ms. Van Alstyne's license had expired December 31, 2011. DOL's order found her conduct constituted unprofessional conduct under RCW 18.185.110(1) and (7), RCW 18.185.090(2), RCW 18.235.130(8), and WAC 308-19-440(3). DOL's order suspended Ms. Van Alstyne's DOL license for 60 days and imposed a \$100 fine.
- 4. RCW 48.17.530(1)(h) gives the Insurance Commissioner authority to revoke, suspend, or place on probation the license of a licensee who is found to be using fraudulent, coercive, or dishonest practices, or demonstrating incompetence, untrustworthiness, or financial irresponsibility in this state or elsewhere. RCW 48.17.560 gives the Insurance Commissioner authority to levy a fine in addition to or in lieu of such revocation, suspension, or probation.

5. Respondents' failure to pay the bond forfeiture to the Renton Municipal Court demonstrates incompetence, untrustworthiness, or financial irresponsibility in this state, justifying imposition of a fine on Respondents under RCW 48.17.560.

- 6. RCW 48.17.597 requires licensees to report to the commissioner any administrative action taken against the licensee by another governmental agency in this state within thirty days of the final disposition of the matter. Respondents did not report the above DOL action to OIC, which violated RCW 48.17.597.
- 7. RCW 48.17.530(1)(b) gives the Insurance Commissioner authority to revoke, suspend, or place on probation the license of a licensee for violating any insurance laws, or violating any rule, subpoena, or order of the Insurance Commissioner or of another state's Insurance Commissioner. RCW 48.17.560 gives the Insurance Commissioner authority to levy a fine in addition to or in lieu of such revocation, suspension, or probation.
- 8. Respondents' violation of RCW 48.17.597 justifies the imposition of a fine on Respondents under RCW 48.17.560.

## **CONSENT TO ORDER:**

The Insurance Commissioner of the State of Washington and Respondents agree that the best interest of the public will be served by entering into this Consent Order. NOW, THEREFORE, Respondents consent to the following in consideration of their desire to resolve this matter without further administrative or judicial proceedings. The Insurance Commissioner consents to settle this matter in consideration of

the Licensees' payment of a fine, and upon such terms and conditions as are set forth below:

- 1. BOBBIS BAIL BONDS and BOBBI JO VAN ALSTYNE acknowledge their duty to comply fully with the applicable laws of the State of Washington.
- 2. BOBBIS BAIL BONDS and BOBBI JO VAN ALSTYNE consent to the entry of this Order, waive any and all hearing rights, and further administrative or judicial challenges to this Consent Order.
- 3. By agreement of the parties, the Insurance Commissioner will impose a fine of \$500 to be paid within thirty days of the entry of this Order.
- 4. BOBBIS BAIL BONDS and BOBBI JO VAN ALSTYNE understand and agree that any further failure to comply with the statutes and regulations that are the subject of this Order constitutes grounds for further penalties, which may be imposed in direct response to further violations.
- 5. BOBBIS BAIL BONDS and BOBBI JO VAN ALSTYNE's failure to pay the fine within thirty days of the execution of this Order shall constitute grounds for revocation of BOBBIS BAIL BONDS and BOBBI JO VAN ALSTYNE's insurance producer's licenses, and shall result in the recovery of the fine through a civil action brought on behalf of the Insurance Commissioner by the Attorney General of the State of Washington.
- 6. This Consent Order and the violations set forth herein constitute admissible evidence that may be considered in any future action by the Insurance Commissioner involving Respondents. However, the

1	facts of this Consent Order, and any provision, finding or conclusion
2	contained herein does not, and is not intended to, determine any factual or
3	legal issues or have any preclusive or collateral estoppels effects in any
4	lawsuit by any party other than Insurance Commissioner.
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6	EXECUTED this <u>15</u> day of August, 2014.
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8	Respondent: In her own capacity and on behalf
9	of BOBBIS BAIL BONDS:
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11	By: Abbi 6 V CM
12	Printed Name: Rober Jo Van Oilskine
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14	Printed Corporate Title: Owe -
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16	AGREED ORDER:
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18	Pursuant to the foregoing factual basis and Consent to Order, the
19	Insurance Commissioner of the State of Washington hereby Orders as
20	follows:
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22	1. BOBBIS BAIL BONDS and BOBBI JO VAN ALSTYNE shall pay
23	a fine in the amount of \$500.
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25	2. Respondents' failure to pay the fine within thirty days of the
26	execution of this Order shall result in the revocation of the

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Respondents' insurance producer's licenses and in the recovery of the fine through a civil action brought on behalf of the Insurance Commissioner by the Attorney General for the State of Washington.

3. This Consent Order and the violations set forth herein constitute admissible evidence that may be considered in any future action by the Insurance Commissioner involving Respondents. However, the fact of this Consent Order, and any provision, finding or conclusion contained herein does not, and is not intended to, determine any factual or legal issues or have any preclusive or collateral estoppels effects in any lawsuit by any party other than the Insurance Commissioner.

EXECUTED this 7/5t day of August, 2014.

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Insurance Commissioner

By and through his designee

Darryl E. Colman

Insurance Enforcement Specialist

Legal Affairs Division